Polycystic Ovary Syndrome

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THE BOOK

Our knowledge about infertility has expanded and improved significantly in recent years and Polycystic Ovary Syndrome (PCOS) is now recognised as a major cause. PCOS is a term which covers a variety of symptoms, and in this new volume the editors have compiled a wide ranging collection of studies dealing with diverse aspects of PCOS, including genetics, pathophysiology, cardiovascular effects, treatment required and long term consequences. Previous books on PCOS have been expensive high level, research oriented works. This new volume is different. All the chapters have been written with the student in mind. Obstetrics and gynaecology students need to know about PCOS and this book is an accessible comprehensive overview to the subject. It features contributors from around the world including Australia, Belgium, Chile, Egypt, Hong Kong, Hungary, India, Iran, Israel, Italy, Lebanon, Mexico, Netherlands, Nigeria, Saudi Arabia, Singapore, Thailand, Turkey, UK and USA.

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Polycystic ovary syndrome (PCOS) is a condition that affects a woman’s hormone levels. Women with PCOS produce higher-than-normal amounts of male hormones. This hormone imbalance causes them to skip menstrual periods and makes it harder for them to get pregnant. Polycystic ovary syndrome (PCOS) is a heterogeneous disorder characterized by hyperandrogenism, oligoovulation/anovulation, and/or the presence of polycystic ovaries. The diagnosis of PCOS is made following exclusion of disorders that may present with a similar clinical picture (e.g., congenital adrenal hyperplasia), most commonly by hormone analysis.